

In response to the Office Action of June 27, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 5, as follows:

a₁ 1. (Amended) Process for the treatment of polluted metal-mechanical industrial waste water and urban water, comprising: treating the polluted water with about 400 to about 2000 grams of acid liquor, including ferrous chloride and hydrochloric acid, per cubic meter of polluted water, to form a clarifying flocculus resulting from the precipitation of the ferrous ion which adsorbs protein present in the metal-mechanical industrial waste water or urban water.

a₂ 5. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the purifying flocculus is formed from organic material.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title, please add:

a₃ -- This application is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/090,006, filed June 3, 1998, now abandoned.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments to the claims and the remarks which follow.